

The Board of County Commissioners Of Riley County, Kansas

The Regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met at the Riley County Plaza East Building February 13, 2003 with the following members present: Alvan Johnson, Chairman; Mike Kearns, Vice Chairman; Bob Newsome, Member; and Cindy Kabriels sitting in for Rich Vargo, County Clerk.

8:30 Public Comment

Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury; Shannon Marshall, KSU Student; and Hjerda McAllister, Administrative Assistant, attended.

Kearns moved to approve the minutes of February 10, 2003 as amended. Newsome seconded. Carried 3 - 0.

9:00 Business Meeting

Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury; Hjerda McAllister, Administrative Assistant; Monty Wedel, Director of Planning and Development; and Johnette Mueller, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

Newsome moved to approve the Preventative Maintenance Contract with Thermal Comfort Air, Inc. for heating, ventilating, and air conditioning from February 1, 2003 – January 31, 2004 for Pottorf Hall in the amount of \$1,094.00. Kearns seconded. Carried 3 - 0.

Newsome moved to sign the amendment to the professional services agreement AIAD Document B151 - 1997 dated November 29, 2002 for interior modifications to the Old Post Office Building, located at 401 Houston Street with Warren Ediger, Architect. The amendment is for a roof replacement to the 401 Houston Street project. Estimated fee for additional services for Architect is \$8

hours at \$75.00 per hour = \$600.00 and expenses to include direct costs of reproduction and postage/shipping. Kearns seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Newsom moved to approve the Highway Use Permits for the following:

- Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to dig a pit and place closer on road right-of-way of W. 40th Avenue, ¼ mile south of S. 33rd St., NW ¼, Sec. 11, T11 -S, R7 -E, Ashland Township.
- Westar Energy to install street lights along Marlatt Road from the intersection of Nelson's Landing going west to a point just west of 1222 East Marlatt Road on existing poles, including installation of two 35' wood poles on the south side of Marlatt. Lights are being installed per City of Manhattan request. Located in Sec. 31, Twp. 9, Rng. 8 & Sec. 6, Twp. 10, Rng. 8 depending if poles are north or south of road.
- Westar Energy to place pole and wire for new service from the intersection of Gardiner Road and Secret Road going east 1.5 miles on both the north and south sides of Secret Road within 4' of fence. Located in Sec. 27/28, Twp. 7, Rng. 6.

Johnson seconded. Carried 2 -0. Kearns abstained due to conflict of interest.

9:30 Alan Ladd, County Extension Director

Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury; and Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services, attended.

Ladd and Morgan presented and discussed a Memorandum from Mary Carson concerning financing of road and bridge improvements.

Ladd said the Road and Bridge Advisory Board has discussed options for implementing the plan for the road and bridge ½ cent sales tax projects.

Morgan said General Obligation (G.O.) Bonds could be issued to pay the cost of bridge and culverts. Morgan said Riley County could start these projects in the near future. Morgan said General Obligation (G.O.) Bonds issued for roads are subject to protest petition.

The County Commissioners requested Stan Morgan to gather more information on possible financing of the ½ cent sales tax projects in order to weigh the merits of either waiting for the sales tax money to start accruing or borrowing money secured by anticipated sales tax revenue in order to start projects as soon as possible. The County Commissioners requested the information to compare, which way of financing of projects would be beneficial.

Ladd said the Road and Bridge Advisory Board thought road projects started in the near future be changed because of low interest rates and businesses needing work.

10:00 Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce –Lyle Butler

Johnette Mueller, Budget and Finance Officer; Mike Watson, Director of the Riley County Police Department; and Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury, attended.

Butler said he is excited that Auth -Florence Manufacturing is coming to Manhattan.

Butler said there are two roads on the road and bridge ½ cent sales tax priority list that are significant to the Auth -Florence Manufacturing Company location due to the high traffic volume and large semi-trucks traveling on both roads.

Butler presented and discussed the following handouts: “Economic Trends –Manhattan Area”, the “Manhattan Economic Development Performance Report”,

and the "2003 Economic Development Division Business Plan, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce".

10:20 Johnette Mueller, Budget and Finance Officer

Mike Watson, Director of Riley County Police Department; Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury; and Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services, attended.

Mueller presented and discussed the "2003 Riley County Police Department (RCPD) Appropriation" comparison of the Law Board's action of an amended appropriation of \$1,796,986.00 and the Board of County Commissioners' action of an amended appropriation of \$1,718,821.00 for a difference of \$78,164.00.

10:40 Bid Opening for Ogden Park T-21 - George Wuertz, Assistant County Engineer

Johnette Mueller, Budget and Finance Officer; Mike Watson, Director of Riley County Police Department; Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury; Rod Meredith, Assistant Director of Public Works/Parks Director; Amy Duncan, Account Clerk; and Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services, attended.

The Board of County Commissioners opened the bids for the Ogden Park T-21 project.

<u>Company</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Alternate 1 (Picnic Shelter)</u>	<u>Alternate 2 (Landscaping)</u>	<u>Alternate 3 (Restroom facilities)</u>
Bayer Construction Inc PO Box 889 Manhattan, KS 66505	\$350,654.55	\$76,000.00	\$17,350.00	\$116,000.00
Smoky Hill, LLC 645 E. Crawford #E1 Salina, KS 667401	\$345,165.88	\$71,252.00	\$15,780.00	\$106,100.00
Manhattan Trenching, Inc. 1600 Fairlane Manhattan, KS 66502	\$273,728.50	\$58,690.00	\$16,305.00	\$109,540.00

Public Works Engineer's Estimate 110 Courthouse Plaza Manhattan, KS 66502	\$242,600.00	\$61,850.00	\$12,375.00	\$101,160.00
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Newsome moved to refer the bid to staff for evaluation and recommendation for the Ogden Park T-21 project. Kearns seconded. Carried 3-0.

Mueller presented and discussed the need to make a distribution to the Riley County Police Department for the 1st half of the 2003 obligation and the "2002 Riley County Police Department (RCPD) Costs".

Kearns moved to make the distribution recommended in the amount of \$898,943.00 to the Riley County Police Department. Johnson seconded. Carried 2-1. Newsome opposed.

Mueller presented and discussed the "Riley County FY 2003 Operating Budget Adjustments" as adjusted and amended by the Law Board's action February 10, 2003.

Mueller recommended waiting to see how revenues progress through the year before making any more budget cuts.

The Board of County Commissioners, by consensus, agreed to wait until the County Commissioners see how Riley County's revenues and expenditures progress through the year before making more budget cuts.

11:37 Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

• Administrative Work Session

Johnette Mueller, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

Morgan discussed the Road and Bridge Advisory Board recommendations for the twenty-one projects on the road and bridge 1/2 cents sales tax

priority list. The Board of County Commissioners, by consensus, agreed the Road and Bridge Advisory Board could recommend such priorities.

Morgan presented a draft of a letter to the Attorney General asking if the Riley County Law Board is a separate taxing municipality.

Kearns moved to sign a payroll voucher in the amount of \$427.93 for a missed voucher for an employee in Riley County Juvenile Services – Community Corrections Department. Newsome seconded. Carried 3 -0.

11:54 Newsome moved to adjourn. Kearns seconded. Carried 3 -0.